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Dear Mr. Yaffe,

Attached are answers to the questions you submitted regarding the Renovation of the State Library Resource Center.

Thank you for your interest.

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Renovation Questions Answered

How many total feet of shelf space for books, videos, tapes, etc. in public areas existed at Central 5 years ago? What's the corresponding figure now? What is it planned to be when renovation is complete?

5 Years Ago	2014	Post Renovation
30,645	38,730	Estimated 27,000

Library Holdings

5 Years Ago	2014	Post Renovation
1,464,345	1,504,452*	1,600,000 estimate

- The 2014 number includes the digital volumes in the Library's collection that were not part of the Library's collection in 2009.
  - 1,376,270 Print (includes Periodicals and Audio Visual Items
  - 128,182 eBooks, Electronic Texts, Full Text Periodicals
  - Figure does not include microfilm holdings. Microfilm holding are 108,850 reels

Where the figures are different, why were and are the changes judged to be a good idea? It's also important to state what percentage of all this shelving was/is/will be full of materials and what percent empty space.

- The growth of shelving as seen in the 2014 figures illustrates that rather than continued analyzing of the collection making certain all materials were actually in demand shelving was added.
- Materials that should have been moved to the stacks for retention however were not.
- Shelving is always kept full so there is not a percentage of "empty" shelves.

Please itemize the shelving figures also by library department. (In linear feet of shelves as above)

Main Building Dept.	5 Years Ago	2014	Post Renovation
Business Science	4947	7116	5000
Children's	3097	1005	1005
Fiction	5115	3465	2500
Fine Arts	2920	2763	2800
Humanities	5044	9069	2800
Periodicals	3168	3168	2600
Sights & Sounds	1830	3528	2800
Social Science	6815	8154	5700
Young Adult	735	462	1900

- The growth of shelving as seen in the 2014 figures illustrates that rather than continued analyzing of the collection making certain all materials were actually in demand shelving was added.
- Materials that should have been moved to the stacks for retention and access did not take place due to the addition of additional floor shelving.
- Post renovation shelving returns the public floor collection to a more customer demand collection with a balance of both research and State Library materials as the Library was originally designed.

[We have been told that this year 90,000 books have already been moved from public shelving to the underground stacks.]